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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 28-Nov-03

DATE	PRODUCTION (000)	ICE-PACKED, MULTI-DROP, IMMEDIATE DELIVERY			
	<u>Actual Slaughter</u>	<u>Live Weight</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Weighted Price</u>	<u># of Boxes</u>
11-24	2,198	5.59	58-75	63.94	7,901
11-25	2,238	5.49	59-75	63.76	8,902
11-26	2,151	5.43	57-77	64.39	7,536
11-27	T H A N K S G I V I N G				
11-28	2,021	5.52	60-77	63.04	8,285
Weekly	8,607	5.51	Cumulative:	63.77	32,623

NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, week of 01-Dec-03

Weighted Averages for:	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
New York	61.25	61.13	47.30
Chicago	59.00	58.91	43.88
Detroit	58.80	58.91	43.38
Los Angeles	72.05	72.76	65.00
Composite Weighted Average	65.37	66.02	53.14

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 28-Nov-03

	<u>Weekly Weighted Average Price</u>	<u>Total Volume/Pounds</u>
Breast - B/S	144.04	2,560,100
Tenderloins	142.25	540,670
Breast - With Ribs	80.26	849,840
Breast - Line Run	74.50	430,320
Legs	36.39	1,363,320
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	29.43	1,570,616
Drumsticks	38.31	509,376
Thighs	39.70	255,100
B/S Thighs	88.02	257,143
Wings (Whole)	97.75	558,270

(Includes NY City metro area, RI, Northern NJ, MA, CT, PA (NE of Harrisburg))

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 22-Nov-03

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>	<u>10-Weeks Prior</u>	<u>7-Weeks Prior</u>
Eggs Set	203,078	203,470	200,518	194,994	194,961
Chicks Placed	156,686	156,301	154,972	169,019	159,201

SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, W/E 22-NOV-03

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
Head (000)	151,254	157,078	149,717
Average Live Weight	5.25	5.30	5.16
To Date 2003 (000)	7,238,024	7,086,770	-----
To Date 2002 (000)	7,303,467	7,153,750	-----

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE: Total frozen poultry supplies on **October 31, 2003** were down 6% from last month and down 21% from last year's level. Total stocks of chicken were down slightly from last month and down 30% from last year's level. Total pounds of turkey in freezers decreased 12% from last month and were 8% below last year.

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